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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Giorgio BARZAGHI, Giacomo MIRELLI, Vincenzo RODELLA
METHOD OF PROVIDING COMMUNICATION IN DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS
Assignee: ALCATEL
Our Ref. Q67651

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 12 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	14	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2	-	3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$740.00
TOTAL FILING FEE									\$740.00
Recordation of Assignment									\$40.00
TOTAL FEE									\$780.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

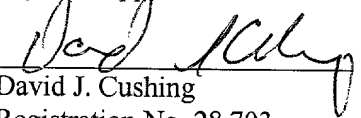
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Italy	MI2000A002741	December 19, 2000

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,
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